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SUBJ: "Raid at Lacombe, La. 7/31/63"

From information on hand here, two of the individuals apprehended and quickly released were:

Miguel Alvarez Jiminez
& Antonio Soto Vasquez

In connection with Miguel Alvarez Jiminez, it is noted from CD1245 pages 274 & 275 that one Miguel Alvarez was a passenger on Flecha Roja Bus No. 516 which departed Monterrey, Nuevo Leon 7:30 pm 9/26/63. Oswald was a passenger on this bus. Alvarez would have boarded at Monterrey.

Regarding Antonio Soto Vasquez: In "The Invisible Government", Wise&Ross, Antonio Soto appears pages 60, 61 & 69. Described as "a small (five-foot-four) chestnut-haired ex-Cuban military pilot flew as "Paloma II" and was hit in one engine. He became the second exile pilot to land at Grand Cayman Island. He and his co-pilot, Benito R. "Campesino" Gonzalez, were flown back to Puerto Cabezas, but their plane remained behind on British territory."

From p.69: "Rene Garcia, Antonio Soto and Gustavo Ponzoa flew three of the B-26s in the strike force. Despite the presidential pledge that no Americans would participate in the fighting, the other two bombers were flown by American CIA pilots....."

--Above two para. refer to Bay of Pigs operation--

I dont know if Alvarez & Soto at Lacombe are the same persons as their namesakes, but it might be worth the effort to check out. Presumably some work was done at New Orleans checking into the Lacombe people. I believe Byron Chiverton appeared before the Grand Jury, or was at least brought in for questioning. Pedro Acelo Amores is mentioned in a Bill Turner article. Lauchli is supposed to have been apprehended.

I would be interested in any information available on the above subjects.